

AMENDMENTS IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please AMEND the Specification to read as shown below with added text shown with underlining and deleted text shown with ~~striketrough~~.

Please AMEND paragraph [0003] to read as follows:

[0003] Generally, for a high speed image formation, a single pass type color image forming apparatus is provided with a plurality of color image forming units which are arranged along the traveling direction of the transfer belt to form a color image. Such a single pass type color image forming apparatus is sometimes called a ~~tendem~~ tandem type color image forming apparatus. The plurality of color image forming units generally represent cyan (C), magenta (M), yellow (Y) and black (K) color images. The color image forming apparatus may be, for example, a color printer or a color photocopier that can reproduce color image on the printing medium.

Please AMEND paragraph [0013] to read as follows:

[0013] According to an aspect of the present invention, there is provided ~~A color~~ a color image forming apparatus which, in a sequential order for each of plural colors of a composite color image, charges plural photosensitive bodies, exposes electrostatic latent images on the plural photosensitive bodies, develops latent images on the photosensitive bodies into color images, and transfers the color images to sequentially form images of each of the plural colors one on another to form the composite color image and transcribing the composite color image onto a printing medium. The color image forming apparatus includes: plural charging units which perform the charging process for each of the plural colors; plural exposing units which perform the exposing process for each of the plural colors; plural developing units which perform the developing process for each of the plural colors; plural transfer units which perform the transfer process for each of the plural colors; and a power supply unit which supplies power to the plural charging units, the plural developing units, and the plural transfer units.

Please AMEND paragraph [0024] to read as follows:

[0024] These and/or other aspects and advantages of the invention will become apparent and more readily appreciated from the following description of the embodiments taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings in which:

FIG. 1 is a schematic view showing the structure of a conventional color image forming apparatus;

FIG. 2 is a schematic view showing a color image forming apparatus according to a first embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 3A and 3B are schematic views showing the transfer power supply apparatus of the color image forming apparatus of FIG. 2 according to an embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 4 is a block diagram showing the power transforming apparatus of the transfer power supply apparatus of FIGS. 3A and 3B;

FIGS. 5A and 5B are schematic views respectively showing the developing power supply apparatus of the color image forming apparatus of FIG. 2 according to an embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 6 is a schematic view showing the charging power supply apparatus of the color image forming apparatus of FIG. 2; ~~and~~

FIG. 7 is a schematic view showing the color image forming apparatus according to a second embodiment of the present invention; and

FIGS. 8A and 8B are schematic views showing exemplary configurations of developing voltage dropping units.

Please AMEND paragraph [0038] to read as follows:

[0038] Turning now to FIG. 3a, power from the transfer power transforming unit 36 is branched to connect to the transfer units 30C, 30M, 30Y, 30K. Between the transfer power transforming unit 36 and the respective transfer units 30C, 30M, 30Y, 30K are the transfer voltage dropping members 38C, 38M, 38Y, 38K. The transfer voltage dropping members 38C, 38M, 38Y, 38K are electrical elements that adjust the input voltage to the respective transfer units 30C, 30M, 30Y, 30K to render the voltage suitable for the transfer units 30C, 30M, 30Y, 30K. The transfer voltage dropping ~~member-memebers~~ may be, by way of non-limiting example, a zener diode as shown in FIG. 8B. Since voltage is applied to the 4 transfer units 30C, 30M, 30Y, 30K in different levels, 4 transfer voltage dropping members 38C, 38M, 38Y, 38K, i.e., one transfer voltage dropping member for each transfer unit, are employed. Alternatively, as shown in FIG. 3B, 3 transfer voltage dropping members may be used instead of 4, by fixing the power level from the transfer power transforming unit 36 to the transfer unit 30C where the highest voltage is applied, and then gradually dropping the voltage level to the remaining transfer units 30M, 30Y, 30K from the fixed level by predetermined intervals.

Please AMEND paragraph [0041] to read as follows:

[0041] A power output from the developing power transforming unit 26 is branched to connect to the 4 developing rollers 21C, 21M, 21Y, 21K (FIG. 5A), and between the developing power transforming unit 26 and the respective developing rollers 21C, 21M, 21Y, 21K are formed the developing voltage dropping members 28C, 28M, 28Y, 28K. The developing voltage dropping members 28C, 28M, 28Y, 28K are electrical elements that adjust the input voltage from the developing power transforming unit 26 to the developing rollers 21C, 21M, 21Y, 21K to a suitable voltage level for the respective developing rollers 21C, 21M, 21Y, ~~21K~~21K. The developing voltage dropping members may be, by way of non-limiting example, zener diodes as show in FIG. 8A. Since voltage is applied to the 4 developing rollers 21C, 21M, 21Y, 21K in different levels, 4 developing voltage dropping members 28C, 28M, 28Y, 28K, i.e., one developing voltage dropping member for one developing unit, are employed. Alternatively, as shown in FIG. 5B, 3 developing voltage dropping members may be used instead of 4, by fixing the power level from the developing power transforming unit 26 to the developing roller 21C where the highest voltage is applied, and then gradually dropping the voltage level to the remaining developing rollers 21M, 21Y, 21K from the fixed level by desired intervals.